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COMMITTEES AT WORK

Details of the Pershing Celebration Being Worked Out

There was a large attendance at the committee meeting last Saturday afternoon and all entered heartily and enthusiastically into the work assigned them. The program is being shaped as rapidly as possible. Three speakers and one band have already been secured.

Governor Gardner, Rev. Burris Jenkins and Private Howard Covey are all definitely booked, and the Linneus I. O. O. F. band has been contracted with. An effort is being made to secure a military band and a company of soldiers but no definite arrangements to that effect has yet been consummated.

Those who attend the Pershing celebration will have an opportunity to see and hear a man who spent nearly three years at the front in France. The committee on speakers have secured Private Howard Covey of Kansas City to be here on that day. Private Covey served in the distinguished Princess Pat regiment for nearly three years. At the outbreak of the war he enlisted in the famous regiment of light infantry, and was sent to France, where he served for two years and seven months. At the battle of Paschendale he received 17 wounds and was incapacitated. He returned to America and received an honorable discharge on April 10. He returned to Kansas City to live with his family and has since been occupying his spare time with Red Cross work. He now receives a pension of \$10 per month from the Canadian government. Covey fought in the first battle of Ypres and survived one of the first gas attacks in history. He carries five pieces of shrapnel in his body. Only forty-three of the original 1,100 fighters in the regiment are alive today, all of them having been incapacitated. If you want first hand accounts of the great war, come to Laclede July 4.

Democrats Favor Politics

On another page today we print a resolution adopted by the republican county central committee favoring a bi-partizan ticket in this county this fall, thereby side-tracking politics in favor of a united people for war purposes.

The democratic county committee met at Linneus Wednesday and turned down the proposition, putting politics above patriotism, office being paramount with that committee.

The Baptist Church

Richard L. Stratton, Pastor

Preaching next Sunday both morning and evening, 11:00 and 8:30. Young people's meeting at 7:30; leader, Pearl Harris.

Sunday school at 9:45. Attendance last Sunday, 84. Your presence will be needed next Sunday. This is a time for us to confess our sins and call upon God for mercy.

You are always welcome at the Baptist church.

Mrs. J. H. Brown and daughter, Miss Jean, are at Ithica, N. Y., having been called there by the serious illness of Mrs. Catherine Bennett. A late report is that she is much better.

Local and Personal

M. P. Benson spent Wednesday on business in Quincy.

Yearling bull and some milch cows for sale. L. E. Eichman.

Mrs. Ella Standly returned home yesterday from Lawrence, Kans.

Milk delivered anywhere in town at 8 cents per quart. J. T. Drew.

Strawberries for sale by the crate. Call phone 60. G. W. ESTES, Laclede.

Preaching at Bruner school house next Sunday at 3:30, by the pastor, R. L. Stratton.

Having accepted a clerkship with the firm of H. C. Carothers, am closing out my entire stock. They must go. Laura Love.

Notice has been received by relatives that Rosco Rankin and Paul Carothers, two more Laclede boys, have landed safely overseas. Lyman Jones is now at Camp Dodge, Iowa, having gone there last week with the Livingston county contingent. He registered at Chillicothe a year ago.

Mrs. Newton Roberts and baby returned to their home at Ottumwa, Iowa, Wednesday after a visit here with her father, Rev. Sisson, at the M. E. Parsonage.

A pair of boy's gloves and necktie, wrapped together, were found in the road Wednesday and left at this office. Owner may have same by paying for this notice.

Mrs. D. R. Rowland spent last Saturday in St. Joseph having gone there to meet Rowland and Wayne Threlkeld of Alliance, Neb., coming here to spend the summer with relatives at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Rowland.

Strawberries are quite plentiful this year and of a good quality but the largest specimens we have seen were brought to this office by Wm. Lomax. They were everbearing Supurbs, a variety stocked by a nursery which Mr. Lomax represents in this territory.

Arthur A. Jeffrey, of Forest City, Mo., was here Tuesday gathering data and taking views about town to be used in featuring General Pershing in a special edition of the Missouri Ruralist, of which he is associate editor. It will appear in the Ruralist July 5.

Nine young men who have become 21 since the June registration of a year ago, registered for army service here last Wednesday. They are Charles Yates Brenner, Arthur Glover, Wm. P. Brooks, Carl B. Noble, Earl R. Foster, Clyde Cecil Welsh, Donnie A. Duncan and Harry Peacher.

During the summer season the headquarters of the Red Cross will be at the school building instead of at the Masonic building, there being better ventilation at the school building. The first meeting at the new headquarters will be next Tuesday, the regular work period of the surgical dressing unit.

At a meeting of the Royal Neighbors Friday it was voted to hold an all day social meeting once each month and work for the Red Cross. The first meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Allie Harter on Friday, June 14. There will be two machines and every member who can should attend, enjoy the day and help in a good cause.

Do not forget that saving habit. There are likely to be other bond issues, and there are the war saving stamps.

ON LOCAL SUBJECTS

Local Items and Interesting Bits of News of All Sorts

P. F. Weaver, local dealer in Metz cars, accompanied by J. L. Mouser and Lee Duncan, went to Kansas City last Monday and returned Tuesday with two Metz touring cars. One of the new cars has already been sold to Geo. L. Farrar who had disposed of his Ford. The Metz is now considered the best car on the market selling under a thousand dollars.

C. B. Talbott, head of the Missouri business of the O. A. Talbott Grain Company, with his agents and buyers, are attending a meeting of the buyers and agents from Iowa, Missouri and Illinois at the company headquarters in Keokuk this week. There were twenty in the Missouri delegation and they left here in a special car Tuesday noon, in charge of Mr. Talbott, assisted by W. E. Shell.

Mrs. C. L. Moulton of Burlington was the guest of Mrs. J. W. Lomax last Thursday. As has been her custom for years Mrs. Moulton came to Laclede on Memorial day to place flowers upon the graves of her parents, the late M. G. Roush and wife, who were among the pioneers of the town. Before returning to her home Mrs. Moulton called and had her name placed on our mailing list for a year to get the news from the "old home town."

The navy is needing recruits badly. Miss Edith Hamilton, recruiting agent for this territory, is making an effort to secure men for the navy. She has an advertisement in this paper today appealing to the patriotism of those qualified for enlistment and giving a list of ratings in which men are urgently needed for duration of the war. Drafted men who are not in the current call may enlist in the navy, and they are needed just as badly there as in the army.

Through the writings of Edgar White and other writers who have visited Laclede in quest of material for articles on General Pershing, Aunt Susan Hewitt has become a national figure, in fact the government has recognized her as being closely associated with the General during his boyhood days in Laclede. Postmaster Hetrick received a telegram from the government representative in charge of the "Pershing Crusaders" films being shown at the Garden theatre in Kansas City this week, inviting Aunt Susan to attend the theatre at the expense and as guest of the government during its run there. Aunt Susan requested the postmaster to convey to the government her appreciation of the honor and express her deep regret at having to decline on account of being an invalid and not able to make the trip. Aunt Susan's many friends would have been delighted to have had her represent Laclede on this occasion and are sorry her health would not permit it.

Mrs. H. R. Thompson and little son of St. Joseph, Ill., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Shell.

Death of Mrs. A. C. True

From a news dispatch in a Kansas City paper Tuesday evening Laclede learned of the death of Mrs. Anna C. True, which occurred at her home in Fargo, S. Dak., Monday. Wednesday morning Lee Hamilton received a telegram from the daughter, Miss Blanch, stating the remains had been taken to Minneapolis, cremated and would reach Laclede Thursday afternoon for burial on the family lot where rests the husband and father and two daughters. Deceased was 79 years of age.

The True family came to Laclede from Maine in 1870, Mr. True engaging in the hardware business in which he continued until his death in about 1888. For a number of years Mrs. True was a teacher in the Laclede schools and was one of the early instructors of General John J. Pershing. She was a noble, christian woman, doing much church and temperance work and in other worthy and ennobling causes. The family was prominent in the business and social life of the town, and the daughter, the only remaining member of the family, has the sympathy of her many friends here.

I. O. O. F. Memorial

Amana lodge will observe Odd Fellows' memorial day next Sunday. The members of the lodge, with sojourning members of the order will meet at the hall at 1:30 and form line and go in a body to the Baptist church where at 2:30 Rev. R. L. Stratton will deliver the memorial sermon, after which they will march to the cemetery where the memorial services of the order will be given and seventeen graves decorated.

All friends of the order and the public generally invited to be present at the church as well as at the cemetery.

For County Recorder

In another column of this paper today will be found the regular announcement of Harry E. Kelley for the office of county recorder of deeds, subject to the decision of the democratic voters in the August primary. Mr. Kelley is a product



of Linn county, having been born in Baker township, and now residing in Brookfield. Those who know him best say he is one of the most capable and industrious young men who has ever been before the people for a county office. He stands high socially and morally, being quite prominent in church work. Mr. Kelley was in Laclede Wednesday and made many friends here by the cordial and friendly way he has of meeting the people. He is married and has five reasons—all girls—why he should be made recorder of the county. When you meet Harry Kelley you will like him.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

Miss Roxana Rankin spent Tuesday forenoon in Chillicothe.

Mrs. Maude Tooey and baby of Brookfield was guest of Mrs. J. E. Welsh Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Shell of Newman, Ill., is visiting her son, W. E. Shell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Piggott went to St. Joseph Wednesday for a few days stay.

Miss Mima Walker is taking a summer course at the state university at Columbia.

Dr. H. H. Bonds attended a dental association meeting at Chillicothe last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Thomas Huxtable and Mrs. Arthur Prewitt of Gibson City, Ill., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Ross and family.

Karl and Paul Jones, Emmons Peer, James and Joseph McDonnell attended the white face cattle sale at Chillicothe Wednesday.

Misses Grace and Flo Berry, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Berry of Linneus, took the train here Tuesday morning for Chillicothe.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McCoy leave Saturday to spend the summer with their daughter, Mrs. Lonnie Bruns and family at Anaheim, Cal.

J. N. Wilson and daughter, Miss Grace, came down from Independence for Decoration day and made a short visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Leora Walker is spending the summer at Maryville as assistant in the office of the superintendent of the Maryville normal school.

Mrs. O. B. McCoy and two children are visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McCoy. Ollin and family have moved from St. Joseph to Van Buren, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Welsh were down from Chillicothe and visited from Saturday until Tuesday with relatives and friend, and were accompanied home by Miss Helen Hoyt.

After attending the state P. E. O. convention at Excelsior Springs Miss Emma Gould is visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Elliott, former Laclede people, in Kansas City, Kans.

E. R. Barton and his daughter, Mrs. Anna Farrar, and his son Cecil, have been in Arkansas this week visiting their son and brother, Edgar Barton, a member of 335 Field Artillery, Camp Pike.

Mrs. J. C. Fletcher left Wednesday to spend the summer with relatives in the northwest. She will stop a few weeks at Watertown, S. Dak., and then go to Portland and other points and into British Columbia.

Engineer Herbert Anderson and wife motored over from Brookfield last Friday to see the former's sister, Mrs. Nettie Mouser, who was reported quite sick. While in town Mr. Anderson visited the Blade, renewing for another year. Herbert says he is going to attend the big celebration even if he has to take a week's layoff to get here.